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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** PP#4F4337/4H5700. **Imidacloprid on Barley, Wheat, and Sugarbeets.** DRES Dietary Exposure and Risk Estimates.

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**Action Requested**

Provide a dietary exposure analysis for the use of imidacloprid in/on barley, wheat, and sugarbeets. The petition requests that a tolerance of 0.05 ppm be established. CBTS recommends against these proposed permanent tolerances due to outstanding data deficiencies as listed in the memo of F. Griffith (5/16/95). CBTS however, has no objections to establishing these tolerances with expiration dates (See memo, F. Griffith, 4/13/95).

**Discussion**

**Toxicological Endpoint:**

The Reference Dose (RfD) used in the analysis is 0.057 mg/kg bwt/day, based on a NOEL of 100 ppm (5.70 mg/kg bwt/day) from a two year rat feeding study with an uncertainty factor of 100 that demonstrated increased thyroid lesions in males as an endpoint. The HED RfD Peer Review Committee also classified imidacloprid as a Group E carcinogen (G. Ghali memo, 11/10/93).

An acute dietary assessment is required by the Toxicology Endpoint Selection Document for imidacloprid (M. Ottley & K. Baetcke memo, 4/18/94). The endpoint for acute dietary risk assessment is 24 mg/kg/day from the rabbit developmental study. The LEL (72 mg/kg/day) was based upon decreased body weight,



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increased resorptions, abortions, and increased skeletal abnormalities.

#### **Residue Information**

Tolerances for imidacloprid are published in 40 CFR §180.472.

There are no anticipated residues.

#### **Percent Use:**

There are no percent crop treated estimates. All uses assume 100 percent crop treated.

#### **Results**

A summary of the residue information considered in this analysis is attached as Table 1. A DRES chronic exposure analysis was performed using tolerance level residues and 100 percent crop treated information to estimate the Theoretical Maximum Residue Contribution (TMRC) for the general population and 22 subgroups. Summaries of the TMRCs and their representations as percentages of the Reference Dose (RfD) are included as Tables 2 & 3. Summaries of the acute dietary risk for the subgroup females(13+ years) are attached as Table 4.

#### **Chronic Exposure Analysis**

##### **Exposure from Published Uses of imidacloprid:**

<u>Subgroup</u>	<u>Exposure (mg/kg/day)</u>	<u>%RfD</u>
U.S. Population	0.008088	14.2
Children 1-6 years	0.016735	29.4

##### **Proposed new Tolerances on wheat, barley & sugarbeets:**

U.S. Population	0.000091	.158
Children 1-6 years	0.000200	.350

##### **If the new tolerances on vegetables are approved:**

U.S. Population	0.008179	14.3
Children 1-6 years	0.016934	29.7

The chronic analysis for imidacloprid is a worst case estimate of dietary exposure with all residues at tolerance level and 100 percent of the commodities assumed to be treated with imidacloprid. Even without refinements, the chronic dietary risk from exposure to imidacloprid appears to be minimal for this petition on barley, wheat and sugarbeets at 0.05 ppm.

**Acute Exposure:**

The endpoint for acute dietary risk assessment is the NOEL (24 mg/kg/day) from the rabbit developmental toxicity study. The LEL (72 mg/kg/day) was based upon decreased body weight, and increased resorptions, abortion and increased skeletal abnormalities. Because the effects of concern are developmental in nature, the only subgroup of concern is females (13+ years old).

Generally, acute dietary margins of exposure greater than 100 tend to cause no dietary concern. The MOE value of 500 demonstrates no concern for females of child-bearing age considering the proposed tolerances.

There appears to be no acute dietary concern for the proposed tolerances on wheat, barley and sugarbeets.

**Attachments**

cc: DRES; Caswell 497E; RCAB; CBTS (F. Griffith); Tox I

TABLE 1

## CHEMICAL INFORMATION FOR CASHELL NUMBER 497E

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CHEMICAL	STUDY TYPE	EFFECTS	REFERENCE DOSES	DATA GAPS/COMMENTS	STATUS
Imidacloprid Caswell #497E CAS No. 105827-78-9 A.T. CODE: 129099 CFR No.	2yr feeding- rat NOEL= 5,7000 mg/kg LEL= 100.00 ppm OMCO: E (RfD/PR Committee)	Increased incidence of mineralized particles in thyroid colloid. No evidence of carcinogenicity in rats or mice.	AD1 UF ->100 OPP RfD= 0.057000 EPA RfD= 0.000000	No data gaps.	RfD/PR reviewed 04/22/93

FOOD CODE	FOOD NAME	PETITION NUMBER	NEW	TOLERANCE (PPM)	PUBLISHED
01013AA	GRAPES-FRESH	3F4231		1.000000	
01014DA	GRAPES-RAISINS	3F4231		1.000000	
01014JA	GRAPES-JUICE	3F4231		1.000000	
04001AA	APPLES-FRESH	3F4169		0.500000	
04001DA	APPLES-DRIED	3F4169		0.500000	
04001JA	APPLES-JUICE	3F4169		0.500000	
06007AA	MANGOES	4F4285		0.200000	
08020AA	HOPS	300343		3.000000	
08020AA	HOPS	5E4425		3.000000	
11001AA	EGGPLANT	3F4231		1.000000	
11003AA	PEPPERS,SWEET,GARDEN	3F4231		1.000000	
11003AB	CHILI PEPPERS	3F4231		1.000000	
11003AD	PEPPERS-OTHER	3F4231		1.000000	
11004AA	PIMENTOS	3F4231		1.000000	
11005AA	TOMATOES-WHOLE	3F4231		1.000000	
11005JA	TOMATOES-JUICE	3F4231		1.000000	
11005RA	TOMATOES-PUREE	3F4231		3.000000	
11005TA	TOMATOES-PASTE	3F4231		6.000000	
11005UA	TOMATOES-CATSUP	3F4231		1.000000	
13005AA	BROCCOLI	3F4231		1.000000	
13006AA	BRUSSEL SPROUTS	3F4231		3.500000	
13007AA	CABBAGE-GREEN AND RED	3F4231		3.500000	
13008AA	CAULIFLOWER	3F4231		3.500000	
13009AA	COLLARDS	3F4231		3.500000	
13010AA	CABBAGE-CHINESE/CELERY , INC. BOK CHOY	3F4231		3.500000	
13011AA	KALE	3F4231		3.500000	
13012AA	KOHLRABI	3F4231		3.500000	
13013AA	LETUCE-LEAFY VARIETIES	3F4231		3.500000	
13020AA	LETUCE-UNSPECIFIED	3F4231		3.500000	
13021AA	MUSTARD GREENS	3F4231		3.500000	
13045AA	LETUCE-HEAD VARIETIES	3F4231		3.500000	
14013AA	POTATOES(WHITE)-WHOLE	3F4169		0.300000	
14013AB	POTATOES(WHITE)-UNSPECIFIED	3F4169		0.300000	
14013AC	POTATOES(WHITE)-PEELED	3F4169		0.300000	
14013DA	POTATOES(WHITE)-DRY	3F4169		0.300000	
14013NA	POTATOES(WHITE)-PEEL ONLY	3F4169		0.300000	
24001AA	BARLEY	4F4337		0.050000	
24006AA	SORGHUM (INCLUDING MILO)	4F4337		0.050000	
24007AA	WHEAT-ROUGH	4F4337		0.050000	
24007GA	WHEAT-GERM	4F4337		0.050000	

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FOOD CODE	FOOD NAME	PETITION NUMBER	NEW	TOLERANCE (PPM) PENDING	PUBLISHED
24007HA	WHEAT-BRAN	4F4337	0.050000		
24007MA	WHEAT- FLOUR	4F4337	0.050000		
25002SA	BEET SUGAR	4F4337	0.050000		
27003OA	COTTONSEED-OIL	4F4169			6.000000
27003WA	COTTONSEED-MEAL	4F4169			9.000000
43058AA	WINE AND SHERRY	3F4231			1.000000
50000BB	MILK-NON-FAT SOLIDS	4F4169			0.100000
50000FA	MILK-FAT SOLIDS	4F4169			0.100000
50000SA	MILK SUGAR (LACTOSE)	4F4169			0.100000
53001BA	BEEF-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	4F4169			0.300000
53001BB	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	4F4169			0.300000
53001DA	BEEF-DRIED	4F4169			0.300000
53001FA	BEEF(BONELESS)-FAT (BEEF TALLOW)	4F4169			0.300000
53001KA	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	4F4169			0.300000
53001LA	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	4F4169			0.300000
53001MA	BEEF(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	4F4169			0.300000
53002BA	GOAT-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	4F4169			0.300000
53002BB	GOAT(BONELESS)-OTHER	4F4169			0.300000
53002FA	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-FAT	4F4169			0.300000
53002LA	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	4F4169			0.300000
53002MA	GOAT(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	4F4169			0.300000
53003AA	HORSE	4F4169			0.300000
53003BA	SHEEP-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	4F4169			0.300000
53005BB	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	4F4169			0.300000
53005FA	SHEEP(BONELESS)-FAT	4F4169			0.300000
53005KA	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	4F4169			0.300000
53005LA	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	4F4169			0.300000
53005MA	SHEEP(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	4F4169			0.300000
53006BA	PORK-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	4F4169			0.300000
53006BB	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	4F4169			0.300000
53006FA	PORK(BONELESS)-FAT (INCLUDING LARD)	4F4169			0.300000
53006KA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	4F4169			0.300000
53006LA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	4F4169			0.300000
53006MA	PORK - LEAN	4F4169			0.300000
55009BA	TURKEY-BYPRODUCTS	3F4231			0.050000
55009BLA	TURKEY-GIBLETTS (LIVER)	3F4231			0.050000
55009KA	TURKEY-FLESH(W/O SKIN, W/O BONES)	3F4231			0.050000
55009BLB	TURKEY-FLESH(+SKIN,W/O BONES)	3F4231			0.050000
55009BC	TURKEY-UNSPECIFIED	3F4231			0.050000

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FOOD CODE	FOOD NAME	PETITION NUMBER	TOLERANCE (PPM) PENDING	NEW	TOxicity (PPM) PUBLISHED
55013BA	POULTRY, OTHER-BYPRODUCTS	3F4231			0.050000
55013LA	POULTRY, OTHER-GIBLETS(LIVER)	3F4231			0.050000
55013MA	POULTRY, OTHER-FLESH (+SKIN,W/O BONES)	3F4231			0.050000
55014AA	EGGS-WHOLE	3F4231			0.020000
55014AB	EGGS-WHITE ONLY	3F4231			0.020000
55014AC	EGGS-YOLK ONLY	3F4231			0.020000
55015BA	CHICKEN-BYPRODUCTS	3F4231			0.050000
55015LA	CHICKEN-GIBLETS(LIVER)	3F4231			0.050000
55015MA	CHICKEN-FLESH(W/O SKIN,W/O BONES)	3F4231			0.050000
55015MB	CHICKEN-FLESH(+SKIN,W/O BONES)	3F4231			0.050000

TABLE 2

## TOLERANCE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM ROUTINE CHRONIC ANALYSIS

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POPULATION SUBGROUP	TOTAL TMRC (MG/KG BODY WEIGHT/DAY)		NEW TMRC AS PERCENT OF RFD	DIFFERENCE AS PERCENT OF RFD	EFFECT OF ANTICIPATED RESIDUES
	CURRENT TMRC*	NEW TMRC**			
U.S. POPULATION - 48 STATES	0.008088	0.008189	14.367070	0.177607	
U.S. POPULATION - SPRING SEASON	0.007688	0.007789	13.664221	0.177179	
U.S. POPULATION - SUMMER SEASON	0.007728	0.007829	13.734228	0.176907	
U.S. POPULATION - FALL SEASON	0.008459	0.008562	15.020235	0.179398	
U.S. POPULATION - WINTER SEASON	0.008457	0.008558	15.013535	0.176937	
NORTHEAST REGION	0.008410	0.008519	14.946070	0.191535	
NORTH CENTRAL REGION	0.008291	0.008395	14.728440	0.182684	
SOUTHERN REGION	0.007284	0.007378	12.943367	0.164021	
WESTERN REGION	0.008722	0.008822	15.476839	0.174939	
HISPANICS	0.008528	0.008623	15.127811	0.166189	
NON-HISPANIC WHITES	0.008210	0.008314	14.586258	0.182625	
NON-HISPANIC BLACKS	0.006994	0.007081	12.422395	0.151826	
NON-HISPANIC OTHERS	0.008576	0.008671	15.212726	0.166705	
NURSING INFANTS (< 1 YEAR OLD)	0.005485	0.005516	9.677642	0.054377	
NON-NURSING INFANTS (< 1 YEAR OLD)	0.014746	0.014824	26.007509	0.136598	
FEMALES (13+ YEARS, PREGNANT)	0.006714	0.006779	11.892400	0.113988	
FEMALES (13+ YEARS, NURSING)	0.007632	0.007717	13.538268	0.149400	
CHILDREN (1-6 YEARS OLD)	0.016755	0.016934	29.708784	0.349612	
CHILDREN (7-12 YEARS OLD)	0.012404	0.012548	22.014528	0.253581	
MALES (13-19 YEARS OLD)	0.008391	0.008501	14.913200	0.191309	
FEMALES (13-19 YEARS OLD, NOT PREG. OR NURSING)	0.007105	0.007187	12.609547	0.144986	
MALES (20 YEARS AND OLDER)	0.006156	0.006263	10.987288	0.185812	
FEMALES (20 YEARS AND OLDER, NOT PREG. OR NURS)	0.005993	0.006058	10.627451	0.112668	

\*Current TMRC does not include new or pending tolerances.

\*\*New TMRC includes new, pending, and published tolerances.

TABLE 3

TOLERANCE ASSESSMENT SUMMARY FOR Imidacloprid  
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## ANALYSIS FOR POPULATION SUB-GROUP: U.S. POPULATION - 48 STATES

<b>EXISTING TOLERANCES (PUBLISHED ONLY)</b>		
RESULT IN A TMRC OF:	0.008088	MG/KG/DAY
THE EXISTING TMRC IS EQUIVALENT TO:	14.189	% OF THE ADI.
<b>PROPOSED NEW TOLERANCES (CURRENT PETITION ONLY)</b>		
RESULT IN A TMRC OF:	0.000091	MG/KG/DAY
THESE NEW TOLERANCES WILL OCCUPY:	0.158	% OF THE ADI.
<b>IF THE NEW TOLERANCES (CURRENT PETITION ONLY)</b>		
ARE APPROVED THE RESULTANT TMRC WILL BE:	0.008179	MG/KG/DAY
THE NEW TMRC WILL OCCUPY	14.347	% OF THE ADI.
<b>OTHER PENDING TOLERANCES EXCLUDING THE</b>		
CURRENT NEW PETITION HAVE A TMRC OF:	0.000012	MG/KG/DAY
THIS TMRC WILL OCCUPY	0.020	% OF THE ADI.
<b>IF ALL PENDING TOLERANCES (INCLUDING THE</b>		
CURRENT NEW PETITION) ARE GRANTED		
THE RESULTANT TMRC WILL BE:	0.008190	MG/KG/DAY
THE TOTAL TMRC WILL OCCUPY	14.367	% OF THE ADI.

## ANALYSIS FOR POPULATION SUB-GROUP: CHILDREN (1-6 YEARS OLD)

<b>EXISTING TOLERANCES (PUBLISHED ONLY)</b>		
RESULT IN A TMRC OF:	0.016735	MG/KG/DAY
THE EXISTING TMRC IS EQUIVALENT TO:	29.359	% OF THE ADI.
<b>PROPOSED NEW TOLERANCES (CURRENT PETITION ONLY)</b>		
RESULT IN A TMRC OF:	0.000200	MG/KG/DAY
THESE NEW TOLERANCES WILL OCCUPY:	0.350	% OF THE ADI.
<b>IF THE NEW TOLERANCES (CURRENT PETITION ONLY)</b>		
ARE APPROVED THE RESULTANT TMRC WILL BE:	0.016934	MG/KG/DAY
THE NEW TMRC WILL OCCUPY	29.709	% OF THE ADI.
<b>OTHER PENDING TOLERANCES EXCLUDING THE</b>		
CURRENT NEW PETITION HAVE A TMRC OF:	0.000001	MG/KG/DAY
THIS TMRC WILL OCCUPY	0.000	% OF THE ADI.
<b>IF ALL PENDING TOLERANCES (INCLUDING THE</b>		
CURRENT NEW PETITION) ARE GRANTED		
THE RESULTANT TMRC WILL BE:	0.016935	MG/KG/DAY
THE TOTAL TMRC WILL OCCUPY	29.709	% OF THE ADI.

